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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Eric James Jarvis Pleads Guilty

Court File # 69HI-CR-22-431

Eric James Jarvis, 47, of Hibbing, Minnesota pleaded guilty today to First Degree Manslaughter in connection with the June 28, 2022 death of his girlfriend, Kari Jo Petrich, St. Louis County Attorney Kim Maki said.

Jarvis entered the plea before the Honorable Michelle Anderson. Pursuant to agreement, Jarvis will be sentenced to the top of the presumed sentencing range under the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines, which, in light of Mr. Jarvis' known criminal history, is expected to be 103 months. Sentencing is scheduled to occur on September 14, 2023 at 3:30 PM.

The St. Louis County Attorney's Office extends its deepest condolences to the family and friends of Kari Jo Petrich and hopes this resolution will provide them with some amount of closure in the tragic loss of their loved one.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant County Attorney Tyler Kenefick.

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